ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

and

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS



of the TOWN OF SOUTHBRIDGE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1967



SCHOOL COMMITTEE

December 31, 1967 THE SOUTHBRIDGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE 1966 - 1967

Frederick R. Morin,		115	Chestnut St.	1968
Chairman				
Mario A. DeAngelis		12	Lebanon Hill	1969
Vice Chairman				
Lorenzo Beaupre		131	Central St.	1969
Albert Langevin		226	Dresser St.	1970
Victor L. Peloquin		112	Hamilton St.	1969
Lawrence L. Proulx		735	Charlton St.	1968
Thomas P. Quinn		68	Paige Hill	1970
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MEETINGS OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in the office of the Superintendent of School, Mary E. Wells Junior High School Building.

There are no regular meetings in July and August.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Charles A. Beattie Residence: 584 Woo Office: Mary E. Well High School	s Junior	764-239 ⁷ 7 764-3285
Therese B. Caouette	44 Pine St.	764-6837
Margaret R. Connolly	14 South St.	764-6513
Mrs. Leona Lavoie	62 Glenwood St.	764-6733

The Superintendent's office is open from Monday through Friday, from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

SCHOOL PHYSICIANS

764-7250

Di. William L. Langevin	1 00 Diessei bt.	704 7330
Dr.Adah B. Eccleston	62 Elm St.	764-8141
SC	CHOOL NURSES	
Mrs.Pauline Boucher	405 Charlton St.	764-7772
Mrs.Virginia Page	145 Central St.	764-3739
Mrc Mary Libuda	10 Fastford Road	764-4626

Dr William F Langovin 35 Drossor St

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Winter term, seven weeks	January 2 - February	16
Spring term, seven weeks	February 26 - April	14
Summer term, nine weeks	April 22 - June	21
Fall term, sixteen weeks	September 4 - December	24
	(noo	n)

NO SCHOOL SIGNALS

During the school year 1967 - 68, whenever weather conditions are such that school authorities decide to cancel sessions for the elementary and junior high school students for the day, there will be two sets of eight blasts of the fire siren at 6:45 A. M. Senior high school students will be expected to attend on all regular school days excepting when the weather make travel impossible. In this case, there will be three sets of blasts of the fire siren, instead of two.

When it is necessary to make a decision regarding closing, school will be closed for the entire day.

RADIO ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NO SCHOOL

WESO	6:30 A.M.	6:45 A.M.	7:00 A.M.
WTAG	7:00 A.M.	7:28 A.M.	7:45 A.M.
WNEB	6:35 A M	7·15 A M	7:30 A M

ENROLLMENT OCTOBER 1, 1967

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	5		
GRADE	Boys	Girls	Total
1	- 85 100 116 93 112 94 89 26	105 102 76 94 99 75 91 111 12 765	235 187 176 210 192 187 185 200 38 1610
HIGH SCHOOL			
9	- 51 - 64	104 81 90 <u>84</u> 359	187 132 154 142 615
TRADE HIGH SCHOOL			
8	56 - 54 - 35 - 41		13 56 54 35 41 199
TOTAL PU	BLIC SCH	HOOLS 2424	
Total Southbridge Publ Total St Jeanne d'Arc I Total St Mary's Eleme Total Notre Dame Elem Total Marianhill Centr	Elementa entary Sc entary S	ry School hool chool	2424 228 283 505 336
GRAND TOTAL			
(all pupils attending	ng schoo	l in Southbridge)	3776

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance on hand Dec.31,1967	\$13,907.08	15,691.01	. 44	373.65		321.14	1,080.00		239.43	854.75	136.33											\$32,603.83	
Reimbursements													\$ 1,825.00	241,150.51	25,035.15	32,183.05	7,400.75	2,159.22	4,757.50	340.00	1,058,36	\$315,909.54	
Expenditures	\$1,007,063.92	246,747.99	13,325.56	6,226.35	4,600.00	11,778.86	3,420.00	00.000.00	7,260.57	3,645.25	5,663.67	2,550.00	1,825.00									\$1,320,107.17	
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	Salaries	Other Expense	Contingency	Athletic Fund	Federal Lunch Program	Dresser Street Field	Transportation to Wo	Summer School	E. O. A. & Federal	Basic Education (Ad	NDEA	Mental Health	Smith-Hughes	State Aid Chapter 7	Special Education (Vocational School State Grant	Vocational School Tuition	High & Elementary Tuition	Summer School Tuition	Rentals	Refunds	TOTALS	

SCHOOL PERSONNEL

The name, date of appointment, official title, and degree appear in that order.

Charles A. Beattie	1966	Superintendent of Schools M. Ed.
Lewis A. Kyrios	1938	Director of Guidance and Placement D. Ed.
Kathryn Beauregard	1922	Guidance Counselor M.A.
Catherine Theodoss	1964	Secretary to Guidance Director
Clair Birtz	1937	Supervisor of Art (Grades 7 - 12)
Anthony J. Chlapowski	1956	Junior High Guidance Counselor M. Ed.
Herbert M. Aronoff	1967	Band & Instrumental B.M.E.
Francis J. Convy	1967	Choral-High School B.M.E.
Raymond Shannon	1967	Choral-Junior High M.S.M.
Rosalie Rubenstein	1926	Choral-Grades 1 - 5
Anthony Santilli	1961	Physical Education B.S.Ed.
Pauline A. Baker	1967	Remedial Reading B.Ed. M.A.
Marilyn Mills	1967	Art Supervisor (Grades 1 - 5) B.A.

SOUTHBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

Edward J. Desroches	1949	Principal A.B., M.Ed.
C. Joseph Montigny	1959	Asst.Principal
		Director of Athletics
		B.S., M.A.
Nora B. Adams	1947	Secretary to the Principal
Mary C. Clarke	1962	Clerk
Claire R. Berthiaume	1967	B.S.Ed., M.Ed.
Robert L. Bongiorno	1966	A. B.
Constance Coderre	1929	B.S.
John T. Conlon	1969	A.B.
Helen Emrich	1964	B.S.Ed.
Francis B.Flanagan	195 5	B. S.
John Flannery	1967	B.A.
James Forkey	1962	B.A., M.Ed., M.A.
Roger N. Giroux	1965	B.S.
Walter F. Gosk	1964	B.S., M.Ed.
Jean A. Grebb	1965	B.S.Ed., M.S.Ed.

COLE TRADE PERSONNEL

Wilfred H. Learned, Jr.	1965	Director B.A., M.Ed.
Frank P. Skinyon	1934	Asst.
		Director B.S.Ed.
Elsie A. Hofstra	1933	Secretary to Director
Alice Nichols	1960	Clerk
Paul W.Bergeron	1963	A.A., B.S.Ed.
Donald Bernard	1961	Assoc.Eng.
Michael Campaniello	1967	
C. Henry Chevalier	1967	A.B.
Joseph Cimoch	1966	
Robert Giroux	1966	
Walter J. Glondek	1938	B.S.Ed.
David F.Knight	1956	
Charles Latino, Jr.	1964	B.S.Ed.
Lucian J. Manchuk	1956	
Arthur R. Metras	1962	Assoc.Eng.
William B.Paul	1942	
Edwin J. Waskiewicz	1952	
Theodore Ziemski	1967	

MARY E. WELLS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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Raoul O. Lataille	1939	Principal M.Ed.
David O'Brien	1962	Assistant Principal
		M.Ed.
Virginia P. Slack	1962.	Secretary to Principal
		B.S.
John Ahearn	1967	B.A.
Patricia Callahan	1939	M.Ed.
Thomas Crompton	1965	B.S.Ed.
Margaret DeAngelis	1967	B.A.
Alice Dion	1926	
James Ferron	1965	B.A.
William Glennon	1965	B.S.Ed.
Jack Haroian	1966	B.S.
John Hopkins	1964	M. Ed.
William Leach	1962	M. Ed.
Neal LeBlanc	1965	B.S.Ed.
Jane Lesniewski	1966	B.S.
Thomas Mahoney	1954	M. Ed.
Alan Malkasian	1966	B.B.A.
Edith Manzi	1957	B.S.Ed.
Joseph Matulaitis	1965	B.S.Ed.
Virginia Maywalt	1962	B.S.
Irene Meakin	1967	B.S.Ed.
Joseph Mixie	1966	M. Ed.
Margaret Monahan	1959	B.A.
Norman Naum	1964	B.S.Ed.
Stanley Naumnik	1938	B.S.Ed.
Susan O'Dea	1964	B.A.
Richard O'Neil	1964	B.A.
Raymond Renaud	1959	M. Ed.
Celestine Sweet	1932	B.A.
Peter Teguis	1963	M.Ed.
Raymond Wahlgren	1966	B.S.Ed.
Stephen Wamback	1966	B.S.Ed.
Robert Windheim	1959	M. Ed.

CHARLTON STREET SCHOOL

Dorothy M. Locke 1943 Grade II Candide B. Murphy 1962 Grade V Edward Ruggeri 1967 Grade V	
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Carrol H. Vangel	1961	Remedial	Reading B.S.	Ed.
Janice Y. Welch	1967	Grade I	B.S.Ed	•

EASTFORD ROAD SCHOOL

2040	5	3.6.3
1940	Principal	M.A.
1967	Grade II	B.A.
1962	Grade V	M. Ed.
1948	Grade I	A.B.
1966	Grade I	B.S.Ed.
1962	Grade III	B.S.Ed.
1951	Grade IV	B.S.
1966	Grade III	B.S.
1949	Grade II	_
1942	Grade IV	B.S. Ed.
1964	Grade V	B.S.Ed.
	1967 1962 1948 1966 1962 1951 1966 1949	1940 Principal 1967 Grade II 1962 Grade V 1948 Grade I 1966 Grade I 1962 Grade III 1951 Grade IV 1966 Grade III 1949 Grade II 1942 Grade V

PLEASANT STREET SCHOOL

Vincent J. Puracchio Raymond A. Comeau Mary Congdon Anita M. Sfreddo Dorothy Sheriff Emily M. Lafleche	1967 1966 1953 1945	Principal Grade 4 Grade I Remedial GradeIII Grade I	B.A.M.A. B.S.M.Ed. B.S. Reading B. Mus. B.S.
Emily M. Lafleche	1967	Grade I	B.S.
Marcia J.Schultz	1967	Grade II	B.S.

WEST STREET SCHOOL

Vincent J. Puracchio	1950	Principal	B.A. M.A.
Elinor Dunleavy	1967	Grade V	B.S. M.Ed.
Helen R. Golden	1948	Grade IV	A.B.
Elizabeth S.Jenkins	1965	Grade II	A.B.
Martha Koprowski	1954	Grade II	B.A. B.S.Ed.
Genevieve R.Long	1960	Grade IV	A.B.
Madelene Y.Proulx	1954	Grade I	B.S.Ed. M.Ed.
Judith Roscioli	1967	Grade V	B.A.
Eva P. Saļviuolo	1943	Grade III	B.S.Ed.
Violet Zoto	1967	Grade I	B.A.

CHANGE OF TEACHERS

APPOINTED:

Claire R. Berthiaume	September	Southbridge High School
Francis J. Convy		Southbridge High School
John Flannery	September	Southbridge High School
Charles J. Gross	September	Southbridge High School
Jeffrey C. Larson	September	Southbridge High School
Jeffrey C. Leeds	September	High and Elementary
Frederick Lillpopp	February	Southbridge High School
Patrick Loconto	September	Southbridge High School
Vernon F. Pero	September	Southbridge High School

September Southbridge High School Barbara I. Seale Michael F. Campaniello September Cole Trade High School September Mary E. Wells Junior High John R. Ahearn Herbert Aronoff September High and Elementary September Mary E. Wells Junior High Margaret I. DeAngelis Irene C. Meakin September Mary E. Wells Junior High Edith A. Manzi September Mary E. Wells Junior High Raymond Shannon September Mary E. Wells Junior High Donald F. White September Mary E. Wells Junior High Charlton Street School Katherine Karcasinas September September Charlton Street School Edward I. Ruggeri Tanice Welch September Charlton Street School Marv E. Benoit September Eastford Road School Raymond Comeau, Ir. September Pleasant Street School Marcia I. Schultz September Pleasant Street School Pauline A. Baker September West Street School Marilvn K. Mills September Art Supv. Grades 1 - 5 Tudith P. Roscioli September West Street School Violet A. Zoto September West Street School

RESIGNED:

David Cronholm Southbridge High School Tune Milton D. David III Tune Southbridge High School Tames I. Gibbons Tune Southbridge High School Marcia A. House Tune Southbridge High School Southbridge High School Andrea Long Tune Arnold M. Reppucci Tulv Southbridge High School Philip Abisamra Mary E. Wells Junior High Tune Mary E. Wells Junior High Mary Galluzzo Tune Gloria Lukes Mary E. Wells Junior High Tune Mary E. Wells Junior High Barbara Sankowski Tune Charlton Street School Eleanor J. Levitt February Charlton Street School Virginia Sullivan Tune Lee Viafora Tune Charlton Street School Mary Congdon Pleasant Street School January Tanice E. Spinney Tune Pleasant Street School West Street School Ronald L. Benoit Tune Excelle Dmytryk West Street School January Richard Yucatonis Elem.Band Supervisor Tune

RETIRED:

M.Thecla Fitzgerald February Southbridge High School

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Anne R. Hamel June Charlton Street School
Bonnie L. Gosk June West Street School
P. Eugene Talbot August Southbridge High School

CUSTODIANS

Armand St. Germain	1963	Head Custodian
Gerard Asselin	1967	Mary E. Wells Junior High
Joseph Arsenault	1965	Southbridge High School
Elzear Cormier	1962	Southbridge High School
Roger Demers	1961	Southbridge High School
Wilfred M. Forcier	1964	Charlton Street School
Arthur Girouard	1963	Dresser Street Field
Eugene Hamel	1966	West Street School
John H. Lynch	1962	Wells & Pleasant Street Schools
Leonard Madelle	1967	Eastford Road School
George St Martin	1953	Southbridge High School
Lucas Tenczar	1962	Mary E. Wells Junior High

RESIGNED:

Gerald Lippe	November	Head Maintenance Man
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RETIRED:

refesphore beautegard	November	west Street School
Adelard Lavallee	December	Southbridge High School

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Southbridge:

I hereby submit my second annual report as Superintendent of the Southbridge Public Schools. This is the seventy-sixth in a series of such reports.

This report will present both in word and picture form the curriculum, the enrollment, the building, and the auxiliary services. The first section will deal primarily with the situation at the elementary level.

ELEMENTARY

This year over one thousand students attend the four elementary schools. With thirty-three classrooms to accommodate this enrollment, the teacher-pupil ratio is too large. In order to approach the standard recommended by the Willis-Harrington Report and supported by the State Department of Education (40 classrooms for every 1000 elementary students) Southbridge needs seven additional classrooms. The State Department of Education has mandated kindergartens by the year 1973 for all cities and towns in Massachusetts. If space is to be made available in Southbridge, seven or eight additional classrooms will be necessary. At the present time, libraries, small conference rooms, and teacher work areas are not available at the elementary level. Thus, in order to meet the needs of the present enrollment at this level the following space must be found:

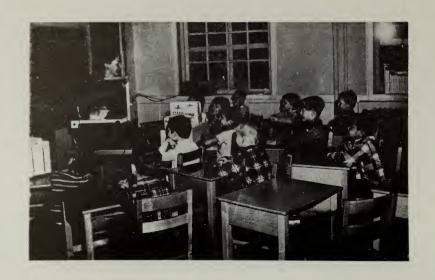
- 1. Seven regular classrooms
- 2. Seven or eight kindergarten classrooms
- 3. Three library areas
- 4. Three conference-work areas.

The elementary schools have made progress this past year. The school day was lengthened in order to meet the physical education requirements established by the State Department of Education. Eastford Road and West Street Schools initiated a cold lunch program. In order to evaluate the utilization of the auxiliary personnel the School Committee voted to hire three aids to work at Eastford Road on a Pilot Project. This June a full report will be



ELEMENTARY PHYSICAL EDUCATION

submitted to the School Committee so that they can decide whether to increase or terminate the use of aids in the schools. The Continuous Progress Plan in Reading was started this fall. Nearly three-fourths of the elementary teachers completed a course in the Spaulding Reading Method either last spring in Southbridge or last summer at Assumption College. Charlton Street School held a workshop for the parents of first graders early in the school The Eastford Road School P.T.A. presented a program entitled the Spaulding Reading Method for the entire community. A group of first grade students performed under the guidance of Mrs. Josette Dupuis. The program ended with an authority from the Lexington School System answering questions from the audience. It is too early to evaluate this program; however, the present progress indicates that expansion in this field deserves serious consideration. The School Committee has established workshops for the coming year. The main objective of these workshops will be to develop a continuous curriculum study in all subject matter areas for grades one through twelve. Copies of this schedule are available in the office of the Superintendent of Schools.





CONTINUOUS PROGRESS PLAN IN READING

A new art teacher, reading teacher and music teacher were hired this year for the elementary grades. The art teacher, Mrs. Marilyn Mills, helped the teachers and students immeasurably this year. This has been a welcomed addition to the staff.



ELEMENTARY ART

The Reading teacher, Mrs. Pauline Baker, works only at the Eastford Road and West Street Schools. In the few months this teacher has been working, the student improvement has been phenominal. Her dedication and enthusiasm has encouraged many students to like school for the first time. The other elementary schools have read-



WEST STREET REMEDIAL READING

ing teachers under a Title I Federal Project. The new music teacher added to the staff allowed Mrs. Rubenstein to devote her full time to grades one through five. The first

and second grade students have music under a supervisor for the first time in many years.

Federal programs affecting the elementary schools during this year are:

- 1. Title I, Remedial Reading, under the capable direction of Mrs. Dintini. Students from the Charlton Street, Pleasant Street Schools, the Mary E. Wells Junior High School, and after 3 P.M. students from the Sacred Heart School have received help under this program. During the summer, students from all schools received help in both mathematics and reading under a Title I Grant.
- 2. A Head Start Program, under the supervision of Mr. Flanagan, had another successful year. Many volunteers participated both in and out of school to complement the paid staff. The Vista girls started a reading program for students with a bilingual background. Many interested adults gave freely of their time to help these children.
- 3. A Social Studies, Title III Project, under the guidance of Mr. Puracchio was initiated. Many audi-visual aids were purchased under this plan.
- 4. A Title II, library expansion program, helped to purchase needed library and reference materials for all schools. Mrs. Grebb, the high school librarian along with the various principals coordinated this program.



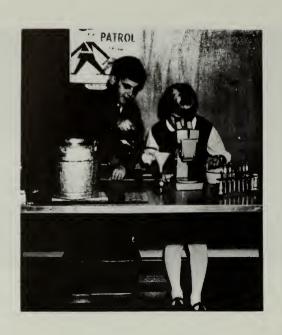
ELEMENTARY SPEACH



ELEMENTARY CLASSROOM



ELEMENTARY ART ACTIVITY



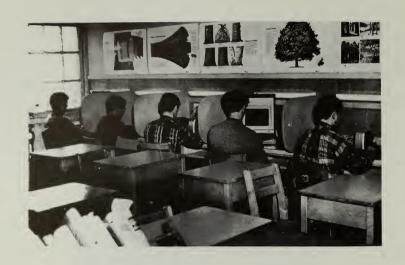


ELEMENTARY SCIENCE

MARY E. WELLS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Over six hundred students are enrolled at the junior high. This building has been used for students in all grades in the past; however, this year we have grades six, seven, and eight, three special classes, and one Non-English speaking class. Without science laboratories, gymnasium, conference rooms, teacher work areas, learning centers, or adequate language laboratory facilities, improving the quality of instruction has been difficult. The School Committee approved the following changes which has increased the efficiency of the staff and has increased the curriculum offerings to the student.

- 1. A student newspaper under the guidance of Miss DeAngelis.
- 2. A start on a school library
- 3. An increase in music offerings
- 4. A Home Economics program for all seventh and eighth grade girls
- 5. A program for the non-English speaking students
- 6. An expansion of the French and Industrial Arts Programs
- 7. A formation of a Student Council
- 8. A formation of a Junior National Honor Society
- 9. A formation of a Science, Mathematics and Social Studies Fairs
- 10. A placement of many teachers in their major subject matter areas.



LANGUAGE LABORATORY



HOME ECONOMICS



LIBRARY



STUDENT COUNCIL

The Junior High School participated in three Federal Projects. The first project was a third year N.D.E.A. Title III program in science. Many pieces of equipment were purchased under this plan. The second project was a Title V, Guidance program. Furniture and test materials were purchased with these funds. The third project was a Vocational program for eighth grade boys. Between twelve and fifteen boys were sent to Cole Trade under the direction of Mr. Learned to develop basic skills in the trades. As a result of the success of this project, a more sophisticated program will be started this next year. The Junior High also participated in the Title II, Library Program, and the Title I, Remedial Reading Program.

PROMOTIONS

Promotional exercises were held in the Mary E. Wells Junior High School Auditorium on June 16, 1967 at 10 o'clock. The Class of 1967 included one hundred and eighty-five members: one hundred and seventy-four from Mary E. Wells Junior High School and eleven from the Cole Trade Pilot Program. Following are the names of those who were promoted:

Robert Anderson Beverly Arel Arthur Arpin Tay Barnard Robert Bartley Toanne Bastien Kevin Bastien Norman Bastien Charles Beattie Robert Belanger Roy Belanger Laurie Bellerive Donna Benoit Lawrence Benoit Michael Berry Toan Berthiaume Tohn Berthiaume Earnest Binnette Barbara Blackmer Martin Boucher *Anne Bousquet *Tanet Brousseau *Laura Brousseau

Gail Brown Donald Brunell Louise Cadarette David Caplette *Suzanne Caplette **David Caprera Tudith Champeau Stanley Choinski Steven Choinski *Christine Ciukai Richard Ciukai Martha Clarke Howard Clinton Chervl Cloutier Charles Coburn Tacquelyn Coderre Tacqueline Collette Ronald Cooper Samuel Corbitt Marc Costanzi Paul Cournoyer Paul Courtemanche *Tudith Daniels

Brenda Dashnaw Nancy Denno Alan Desorcy Albert DiFederico *Susan DiFederico *Marv DiMarco Paul Dion Paula Dubois Ann Dubreuil Robert Dumas Debra Dune Melanie DuPaul Patricia Earls Scott Earnest Donald Elkins Thomas Faxon William Foley Bradford Fontaine Sharon Fontaine Douglas Ford Tames Fournier Paulette Fournier Dennis French Elaine Gagne Richard Galli Richard Gay Robert Girouard Wavne Goulet Linda Gravel Toyce Griffith Barbara Gubb Peter Hapgood *Deborah Hefner Nancy Hibbard William Hibbard Cynthia Hill *Beth Hirons Edward Horonzewic Margaret Howlett William Howley Suzanne Hwalek *Mary Innis

Michelle Jewell

*Patricia Kowalewski

Kathleen Kowalski

Jeffrey King

**Ann Kosakowski

Lawrence Lacasse Frances Laferriere Andre Lafleche Elaine Laliberte Richard Laliberte Lorraine Lamothe Clifford Lanctot Denis Lataille Susan Lavigne Jeffery Lavoie Tames Lazo Richard LeBlanc Susan Lippe *Tanis Liro Tanet Little Clifford Livernois Tohn Lombardi George Lovely *Carolyn MacDonald Ann Mainville Sandra Malv Anita Manning Tames Marcucci Laurence Martin Tudith McDonald Teanne Mendes Jeffrey Mercier Tohn Micheli Tohn Moon Alan Morgan Francis Murphy Gerald Nadeau Debra Normandin Richard Norris Martha Palmerino Sandra Pappas Michelle Paquin Dennis Perry Joseph Petrelli Lona Petrelli James Pettinelli Charles Piekarski *David Pienta **Judith Plante** *Gregory Polanik Michael Presutti Arthur Proulx

Dennis Proulx *Emily Proulx Lvnn Provost Nancy Prymak Mark Ouevillon *Karin Rakowski Robert Raylin Dennis Rines Clifford Rondeau Philippe Rov Mark Saiz Diane Salva Helen Sansoucy Diane Santelli Nancy Santullo Robert Slattery David Smick Linda Spadea William Stone Barbara Suitter Veronica Syriac Marcia Szugda

*Stephen Szydlik Marsha Taylor Leo Terpos Richard Tessier *Teffrev Theodoss Nicholas Thomo Cynthia Thompson *Maria Tortis William Tove David Travinski Michael Tremblay Michael Trudeau Ronald Vairo Lynne Verna *Tohn Waskiewicz Sharon Wavne Kathleen Whitney Mary Karen Williams Stella Xanthakos Maria Yanka Samuel Yanka

*Paul Zarzycki Darlene Ziemba

* Honor Roll four quarters
** High Honors four quarters

Of these 185 pupils who were promoted, 155 chose Southbridge High School as their secondary school while 30 were admitted to the Cole Trade High School.

SOUTHBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

This year Southbridge High School had eight National Merit Scholars. The complete staff, the School Committee, and the community can take great pride in this outstanding accomplishment. The parents and guardians along with the students deserve our highest praise for the honor they brought to Southbridge. Congratulations to everyone who made this possible.

The following is a partial list of the many outstanding changes started this year at the high school:

- 1. A student newspaper was organized.
- 2. New clubs Ski, Photography, Latin, Biology,

French and Spanish were established.

- 3. Debating Teams
- 4. Team teaching between the English and Social Studies Departments was initiated.
- 5. A new report card system was started.
- 6. The Future Teacher organization has established an experimental program with the schools in Southbridge.
- 7. An expansion of the teacher-parent conference program was initiated.
- 8. A tutorial program was established.



NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS



CROSS COUNTRY TEAM



FOOTBALL TEAM



STUDENT COUNCIL



FUTURE TEACHERS OF AMERICA



HIGH SCHOOL CHORUS



HIGH SCHOOL BAND



NEW OFFSET MACHINE



GIRLS PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The high school was built to accommodate five hundred and fifty students according to the 1961 plans. At the present time over six hundred students are attending the high school. To be considered efficient a school should be used eighty-five percent of the school day. However, the Southbridge High School is operating at over ninety percent utilization. The school needs the following spaces at the present time:

- 1. Eight additional classrooms
- 2. A learning center
- 3. Individual study corals
- 4. Storage areas
- 5. Expansion of the library
- 6. Conference rooms for Heads of Departments
- 7. Band and choral areas.

A five year follow-up study has been completed on the 1962 graduates by the Guidance Department. The study revealed that seventy-two percent of the Southbridge High School 1962 graduates entering a four year degree granting college completed their studies and received their degrees. In a report by the U. S. Office of Education, about 50% of the 1962 high school graduates throughout the country that entered college failed to complete their work. Thus, Southbridge can be proud of the fact that a larger percentage of their graduates continue onto post-secondary work and that our students have the background and drive to complete their educational goals.



GUIDANCE PROGRAM

Graduation exercises were held at Dresser Street Field on June 11, 1967. The Class of 1967 included one hundred sixty-seven members; twenty-five from the Trade Division and one hundred forty-two from the Academic Division. Mr. Frederick Morin, Chairman of the Southbridge School Committee, presented the diplomas. Following are the names of our 1967 graduates:

- *Albert John Anderson
- *Tohn William Anderson
- *Myrna Dale Anderson
- *Susan Linda Anderson
- *Ruth Ann Arsenault
 Kenneth Gerald Ashton
 Theodore Reeve Ashton
 Suzanne Theresa Asselin
 Gregory Arthur Bachand
 Paul Roland Bachand
- **Suzanne Theresa Bachand Heldon Douglas Barth Peter Paul Battista
- **Anne Natalie Belanger
- **Helen Bellos
 Donna Marie Benoit
 Henry George Benoit
 Linda Lee Benoit
 Monique Theresa Benoit
 Robert Paul Bertrand
 Paul Felix Besse
 Nicholas Spiro Billis
- **Stephen Ernest Billis Roland Bernard Blanchette
- **David Vincent Boucher Paulette Rita Boudreau Daniel Ernest Bourdelais
- **Susan Elaine Bousquet Paul Francis Bouvier
 - *Thomas Michael Brodeur
 - *Alice Ruth Brousseau
 - *Charliss Anne Brousseau
- **Thomas Wilfred Brousseau Linda Louise Brown
- **Cynthia Lee Buchanan *Elaine Nancy Burda
- **Stanley John Burzycki Ronald Henry Bussiere Eugene Edward Cadarette

- Helen Louise Cadarette
- *Anna Annuziata Calcagni Norma Irene Capistrand
- **Michael Vincent Caplette Nelson Laurier Carpentier David Alan Ceccarelli
 - *Stephen Leonard Champeau
 - *William Joseph Cloutier Barry Lester Cooper
 - *Pierre Cournoyer Robert Francis Couture Stephen Harry Davis
 - *Katya Mary deCastro
 Alfred Ernest Denno
 Jan Rita Desmarais
 William Brian DiGregorio
 Linda Ann DiMarco
 - *Marcia Lucille Domijan
 - *Paula Dubreuil
 - *Robert Leo Dupuis Roland Joseph Dupuis Ruby-jean Earnest David Bruce Ford
 - *Raymond Louis Fournier Frances Lillian Gagne Paul Roger Gaucher Claudio Joseph Gauthier Theresa Rita Gauthier
 - *Michael Francis Gendreau
 - *Priscilla Constance Gimas
 - *John Herman Giroux
- **Deborah Elrick Gray
 - *Paulette Constance Gregoire
 - *Allan Frank Guardiani
- *Martin Robert Gubb
 **Paul Sheldon Hapgood
- *James Michael Hill
- *Cheryl Ann Horonzewic Bernard Joseph Hudon

Edward Stanley Iozzo Diane Cecile Jacques Armand Leon Talbert Linda Lee Tulian William Chester Klosek

**Tane Elaine Kurposka

*Stephen Robert Lancey Linda Lee Langevin Marlene Marie Langevin

**Marcia Langlois John Paul Lango

*Michelle Aline LaPierre Rene Felix Laporte Thomas James Lapriore

*Susan Marie Lariviere

*Gloria Lataille Linda Lee Lavigne Andre Joseph Lazure

*Tanice Irene Leduc Nancy Rita Leduc Suzanne Therese Lemoine Thaddeus Anthony Lesniewski, Jr.

**Janice Mary Libera

**Henry Paul Libuda

*Tohn Michael Libuda Richard Allen Lorange Wayne Robert Lusignan

*Linda Joan Maly

*Donald Eddie Mainville Donna Marie Mandeville David Charles Manning Gerard Louis Mathieu Ann Leona McDonald Kenneth Gerard Menard

*Christine Louise Metivier Carolyn Terry Mills Randal Wayne Morse Tadeusz Mroczkowski

*Bichop Joseph Nawrot Nancy Angela Niejadlik David Clinton O'Brien William Russell O'Brien

*Betty Louise Ohop

James Edward Ostrokolowicz *Theresa Ann Zach

*Beth Palmerino Charles Thomas Palmerino Sarah Anne Paquette Gerald Raymond Paguin Ronald Edward Parent Philip Pettinelli Joyce Elizabeth Polakowski

*Patricia Ann Polanik

*Louis Theodore Postemski Roberta Lucy Pratt Martha Ann Prince

*David Andrew Richard Kenneth Edward Rizner Rachel Aline Robert

*Frank Roccissano

*Nancy Cecilia Salvatore David William Savage

**Stuart Stanley Sharp Roger Nelson Smeltzer Tohn Louis Stevens

*Louise Elizabeth Sweet

*Carolyn Sue Swiatek Diane Lynne Syriac Clifford Joseph Szczypien

*Kenneth Joseph Szczypien

**Charles Francis Szumilas

**Dorothy Jane Szydlik Robert Michael Tarquinio Clyde Bert Thompson

*Louis Jacque Trahan, Jr. David Andre Tremblay Rosanne Marie Tremblay

*Norman Leonard Vandal

*Diana Marie Vasil Tean Marie Vilandre

**Joyce Pauline Vincelette

*Deanne Elaine Walstrom Elizabeth Rose Webber Linda Tean Webber Linda Lee Winchester Paul Yanka

**Ruth Vivian Yanka

*Carol Ann Zajac Nicholas Adam Zoto

* General Average of 80% or above for four years

** Members of National Honor Society

SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

Scholarships and grants, having a potential value of one hundred seventy-five thousand two hundred sixty dollars were offered to members of the graduating class and announced at the graduation exercises. We congratulate the recipients and acknowledge with deep appreciation the oronganizations who made the awards.

Organization	Amount	Recipient
Air Force Academy	\$40,000.00	Charles Szumilas
American Optical Co.	4,000.00	Stephen Champeau
American Legion Post #31	100.00	Suzanne Asselin
American Legion Auxiliary		Susan Lariviere
A. & M Tool & Die Co.	250.00	Suzanne Asselin
Becker Junior College,	230.00	buzanne Assem
Worcester	400.00	Suzanne Bachand
Worcester	200.00	Helen Bellos
Big Bunny Corp.	200.00	Paul Besse
big builty Corp.	200.00	Elaine Burda
	200.00	William Klosek
	200.00	
		Carolyn Swiatek
Charlton Ct Cabaal D T A	200.00	Joyce Vincelette
Charlton St. School P. T. A		Anne Calcagni
Louis Ciprari	100.00	Rosanne Tremblay
Coast Guard Academy	40,000.00	Henry P. Libuda
Colgate College	11,600.00	Charles Szumilas
Cornell University	11,200.00	Charles Szumilas
Elmira College	4,000.00	Deborah Gray
Dartmouth College	11,200.00	Charles Szumilas
Fraternal Order of		
Police Lodge #1	200.00	Joyce Vincelette
Grand Order of Rainbow		
Assembly	300.00	Myrna Anderson
Holy Cross College	10,400.00	Thomas Brousseau
Holy Trinity Church	500.00	Suzanne Asselin
Ithaca College	800.00	Patricia Polanik
Massachusetts Veterans	3,000.00	David Boucher
	3,000.00	Martin Gubb
National Honor Society		
Local Chapter	-100.00	Suzanne Bachand
	100.00	Charles Szumilas
	100.00	Dorothy Szydlik
Northeastern University	4,560.00	Myrna Anderson
Olivet College	1,600.00	Deborah Gray
Polish-American		
Women's Club	250.00	Stanley Burzycki
	250.00	Jane Kurposka
	250.00	Kenneth Szczypien

	1,600.00	Jane Kurposka
Rhode Island School		
of Design	1,400.00	Stuart Sharp
James M.Robertson		
Memorial Southbridge	000 00	C 2 1:
High School	300.00	Suzanne Asselin
Salter Secretarial School	100.00	Susan Bousquet
Bernard Shanbaum Memorial	1 450.00	Michael Caplette
Southbridge High School -		
Future Teachers of	200.00	Gloria Lataille
America	200.00	Gioria Latallie
Southbridge High School - Library Club	100.00	Susan Lariviere
Southbridge Mothers Club	100.00	Kenneth Szczypien
Southbridge Teachers	100.00	keimeni bzczypien
Association	150.00	Donald Mainville
ASSOCIATION	150.00	Ruth Yanka
Southbridge Woman's Club	400.00	Joyce Vincelette
Tri-Community	100.00	Joyce vincerette
BasketballAssociation	300.00	Pierre Cournoyer
Tri-Community Nurses	***************************************	
Association	100.00	Charliss Brousseau
University of		
Massachusetts	2,200.00	Stephen Champeau
	1,200.00	Joyce Vincelette
University of Rochester	2,800.00	David Boucher
Veterans of Foreign Wars-		
Leonide Lemire Post		
#6055 Past		
Commanders Club	200.00	Jane Kurposka
	10,400.00	Charles Szumilas
Federal and Common-		
wealth Grants	3,300.00	

CLASS SURVEY

A survey of the Class of 1967, conducted by our Guidance Department, revealed that 70% of our graduates went on to post-secondary education. Following is a summary of the post-secondary activities of the entire class:

At Degree Colleges

Alliance	1	Holy Cross	2
Anna Maria	3	Lowell Tech	4
Annhurst	5	North Adams State	2
Castleton State	1	Northeastern	4
Elmira	1	Norwich Univ.	4
Framingham State	1	Nichols	2
Georgetown Univ.	1	Regis	1

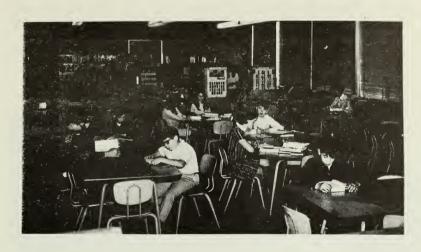
Rhode Island School of Design Salem State Skidmore Slippery Rock University of: Massachusetts Rochester	1 4 1 1 12	University of: Connecticut Ceara-Brazil U.S.Coast Guard Westfield State Worcester State Yale	1 1 2 2 1	
At Nursing Schools		n. n. n. 1		
Leominster Hospital New England Baptist	1 1	Peter Bent Brigham Western Mass.Hosp.	1	
Newport Hospital	1	Worcester Memorial	ì	
At Junior Colleges				
Becker Junior	3	Quinsigamond		
Lasell	1		. 3	
Mount Ida	1	Worcester Junior	7	
At Business Schools				
Andover Institute	1	Newbury School	2	
Cambridge School	2	New England School	,	
Computer Institute Hartford Institute	1	of Accounting Salter Secretarial	1	
of Accounting	1	Wards	i	
At Trade, Technical, or Vocational Schools				
East Coast Aero Tech	1	Northeastern Insti-		
Franklin Technical		tute of Technology	1	
Institute	2	St. Vincent Hospital	_	
General Electric Apprentice	2	- X-Ray Tech. Worcester Industrial	2	
Modern School of	۷	Institute	1	
Fashion Design	1	Worcester Trade	ī	
Private, Preparatory, Post-Graduate Secondary				
Bridgton Academy	1	Marianapolis	1	

ENROLLMENT

The total enrollment in the Academic Division as of October 1, 1967 was 615. The enrollment in the Trade Division was 184.

LIBRARY

The important educational function of the library cannot be over emphasized. Our library collection is growing steadily and as a result it is continuously increasing its service to students and teachers. Following is the present status of our collection divided into meaningful categories:



LIBRARY

Reference Books	925	
Professional Books	150	
Fiction	1,475	
Non-Fiction	3,950	
Phamplets	875	
Periodicals		(Subscriptions)
Newspapers	3	(Subscriptions)

In addition, our collection totals approximately 6,500 hardbound books.

The average circulation in 1967 was 49 books per day. Average student attendance was 171 students per day, all of whom were engaged in assigned research or were using the facilities of the library for independent study.

COLE TRADE HIGH SCHOOL

Many projects this year were completed by the students under the guidance of their instructors at Cole Trade High School:

- 1. A new central office was completed at Cole Trade.
- 2. One large classroom was divided into two classrooms at Cole Trade.
- 3. A new roof shelter was installed outside the high school gymnasium.
- 4. A new loading platform was constructed at Cole Trade.
- 5. New lighting was installed at Mary E. Wells Junior High.

- 6. Christmas trees were installed in the center of Town.
- 7. New classrooms were remodeled and constructed at Mary E. Wells Junior High.
- 8. New electric-safety magnetic door closers were installed at the high school.
- 9. Mechanic Street School was remodeled
- 10. Many other projects too numerous to list.



MECHANIC STREET RENOVATIONS

The Pilot project was expanded under the leadership of Mr. Learned. In late January or early February twenty-eight to thirty eight grade students will attend the Mechanic Street School.

This past summer six to eight Cole Trade students worked in the schools doing minor repair work. Federal Funds were used to pay their salaries. A project has been submitted to continue the work-study program, but the Federal Government has not funded the program. Another project, that of establishing a maintenance department, will be submitted in the near future. Under this program a small group of students will work with a maintenance instructor to develop basic skills in the custodial field.

With the formation of a new Regional Vocational School, the present sophomores may be the last class to graduate from Cole Trade.

The following Cole Trade students were granted a Certifi-

ficate of Proficiency and a Southbridge High School diploma:

Cabinetmakers

Cadarette, Eugene Edward Gauthier, Caludio Joseph Lorance, Richard Allen

Drafting

Bachand, Paul Roland Couture, Robert Francis Denno, Alfred Ernest Fournier, Raymond Louis Rizner, Kenneth Edward

Electric

Hudon, Bernard Joseph

O'Brien, David Clinton Zoto, Nicholas Adam

Machine

Bertrand, Robert Paul Davis, Stephen Harry Gaucher, Paul Roger Hill, James Michael Jalbert, Armand Leon Lazure, Andre Joseph Mainville, Donald Eddie Tremblay, David Andre

Metalsmith

Battista, Peter Paul Blanchette, Roland Bernard Bourdelais, Daniel Ernest Bussiere, Ronald Henry Laporte, Rene Felix O'Brien, William Russell

OTHER SPECIAL AREAS

A total of 169 students participated in the Southbridge High School Summer Program; 134 were residents of Southbridge and 35 were out-of-town students. Out-of-town students came from Charlton (5), Oxford (6), Dudley (10), Webster (11), Woodstock (1) and Sturbridge (2).

Thirty-four Southbridge High School students (Academic Division) elected one or two subjects for credit. Twenty-eight met the subject requirements and received credit for subjects elected. Six failed to meet requirements and received no credit.

The 1967 Summer School Program appeared to be the most successful yet. It had the largest enrollment - 169 as compared to 108 in 1965 and 115 in 1966. More teachers were added to the staff. A total of nine teachers were needed to staff the school. Six new courses were also added to the offerings of previous years. Our enrichment course called GREAT BOOKS OF THE WORLD was a real success.

The third Summer School Program under the School Department sponsorship was held at the Mary E. Wells Junior

High School for pupils from Grades 1 through 8.

A total of 60 pupils enrolled for Summer Classes in basic reading, English, math. Some of these pupils were enrolled in more than one course, thereby representing participation in 87 classes.

The Summer School Program for Grades 1 through 8 is principally designed to help pupils with difficulties in basic subject areas, to strengthen foundations in major subjects, to prepare pupils for the following school year, and to help bring up to grade any non-promoted pupils.

The continuation of this program should definitely be supported since the results have been very encouraging and definitely show a noticeable improvement in the pupils' school work the following school year.

SAFETY PROGRAMS

Safety Education is a serious concern of the School Department. Under the guidance of Officer Jacob Gouin, student and adult Safety Patrols are organized. Officer Gouin also sets up safety assemblies in the school to keep all students informed of the many responsibilities and cautions inherent in a safety program. The Fire Department officials under the direction of Chief Alva Gregoire continued with their fire prevention program. This program was one of the first in the country, and many cities and towns have patterned their programs after the model established here in Southbridge. The Police and Fire Departments deserve the appreciation of the Community for their cooperation in making the safety programs a success.



CHARLTON STREET SAFETY PATROL



SCHOOL BUS

SPECIAL CLASSES

Four special classes are in operation at the Mary E. Wells Junior High School; two classes for the Educables, one class for the Trainables, and one class for the Non-English speaking students. The supplies and equipment for these areas are still below the state standards. However, the School Committee has included in their 1968 budget, money to investigate Federal Programs that will help to upgrade these programs.



SPECIAL CLASSES

ADULT EDUCATION

Adult classes under the Director, Mr. Frank Skinyon, were held at Southbridge High School in the following areas:

- 1. Two classes in Furniture Refinishing
- 2. Two classes in Rug Braiding

- 3. Six classes in Sewing
- 4. Two classes in Cake Decorating
- 5. One class in Machine Shop Practice
- 6. One class in Typing
- 7. One Art Class
- 8. One Cabinet Making Class

A total of 320 adults attended these classes.



SEWING CLASSES

At the Mary E. Wells Junior High, Mr. David O'Brien supervised classes in Adult Basic and Adult Civic Education. A total of 90 students attended these classes. This past year we had our first graduate from the Adult Basic Education Program. These classes have been most successful, and we have every hope that they will continue and also be expanded in the future. Adults living in Southbridge can be assured that if a new course is requested we will do everything possible to include the course in the evening program.

CAFETERIA

The School Lunch Program was expanded to include the Pleasant Street School in the Federal Lunch Program. Food is prepared at Mary E. Wells Junior High and transported to the Pleasant Street School by trailer. The high school feeds on the average of eight hundred and fifty students with about two hundred and eighty meals being transported to the Charlton Street School. Because of the cost of food and the cost of labor, the price of each meal was increased five cents for students in the junior and senior high schools. The price at the elementary school remains at twenty-five

cents per meal. The West Street and Eastford Road Schools are presently offering a Cold Lunch Program. However, by removing the mileage limits the majority of the students do bring their lunch which has reduced the student traffic problem during the busy hour of 12:00 P.M. and 1:00 P.M. Again, under the supervision of Mrs. Edith Freeman, the hot lunch and milk programs proved successful.



COLD LUNCH AT EASTFORD ROAD SCHOOL



HOT LUNCH AT CHARLTON STREET SCHOOL

COUNCILS

There are three new councils that have been organized to better serve the community and the students of Southbridge. The first is the Southbridge Education Council. It was organized to perform a civic service to the educational interest of the community. Any person wishing to take an active interest in the educational welfare of the community can become a member. Under the leadership of Dr. Mason C. Cos, the president of the council, many programs have been studied and initiated this year.

The second council is the Southbridge Teachers Council. One teacher from each building meets once or twice each month with the Superintendent of Schools. Mr. John Hopkins was elected chairman of the council. A few of the topics under discussion this year are: Teacher-Orientation Programs, Teacher-Aids, Evaluation of teachers, In-Service Course, Merit Pay, Tutorial Programs, and many others. This group presently has a few ideas under study that could bring the Town of Southbridge well deserved recognition.



SOUTHBRIDGE TEACHERS COUNCIL

The third council is the Southbridge Administrative Council. Once or twice each month the administrators meet in the office of the Superintendent of Schools. This group studies all of the problems of the school system and makes recommendations as to possible solutions. This council is responsible for the wonderful educational cli-

mate found in Southbridge. Their real value to the Southbridge School System cannot be overemphasized.



SOUTHBRIDGE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

SCHOOL BUILDING PROBLEM

At the 1967 Town Meeting an article to establish a South-bridge School Building Needs Committee was authorized. An organizational meeting was held on May 1, 1967 and Mr. Ralph Miller was elected chairman of the committee. Since that date the committee has met many times to discuss and study the present school needs in order to formulate and recommend possible solutions to the entire community by the 1968 Town Meeting date. Before the March 11, 1968 meeting the committee will have a written report available for everyone to study.

This report, under the supervision of Mr. Bernard Devine, will list all the possible alternatives studied by the committee along with the advantages and disadvantages of each plan. It is their hope that you will review their report carefully and attend the Town Meeting. The committee members deserve the praise and gratitude of the community for their untiring effort in trying to find a solution to a most complex problem.



GIRLS PHYSICAL EDUCATION



OPEN HOUSE



JUNIOR HIGH CAFETERIA



JUNIOR HIGH PLAY AREA



STUDY HALL IN HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA



CHARLTON STREET T.V. ROOM



JUNIOR HIGH GYM - AUDITORIUM



JUNIOR HIGH CLASSROOM

CONCLUSION

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the South-bridge School Committee, the complete staff of the South-bridge School System, the students, and the whole community for their support and interest in the educational growth in Southbridge this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. BEATTIE

Superintendent of Schools